BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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In the Matter of the Application of Northern States Power Company for an Accounting Order

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ORDER ACCEPTING WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION WITHOUT PREJUDICE

To: Gene R. Sommers, Northern States Power Company, 414 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, MN 55401

Subsequent to Northern States Power Company's (NSP's or the Company's) initial filing in the above-listed matter, representatives of the Minnesota Department of Public Service (the Department) and the Residential Utilities Division of the Office of the Attorney General (RUD-OAG) expressed concerns to the Company regarding certain aspects of the application. The Company concluded that it could substantially improve the filing at a later date.

On August 4, 1993, NSP filed a letter with the Commission requesting permission to withdraw its application with the intention of subsequently filing a new improved application. The Department and the RUD-OAG have expressed no objection to the Company's request.

Accordingly, the Commission hereby grants the Company permission to withdraw its current application without prejudice, i.e. with full right to file a new application and have a new time schedule established for its resolution.

This Order shall become effective immediately.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Susan Mackenzie Acting Executive Secretary

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